



University Council Meeting C1/2020

Minuted Resolutions

Minuted resolutions of the Council meeting held on 20 February 2020,
in the Vice Chancellor's Boardroom, Lismore campus.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr N Burton Taylor AM, Chancellor (Chair)
Professor B Boyd
Dr A Curtin
Mr M d'Almeida, Deputy Chancellor
Ms J Granger
Mr M Jones
Mr G Lancaster (via Zoom) - part
Mr S Noble (via Zoom)
Ms L O'Grady (via Zoom) - part
Professor A Rose, Chair of Academic Board
Mr J Rourke
Professor A Shoemaker, Vice Chancellor
Associate Professor A Wessell

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms B Atkinson, Council Secretary
Professor N Bahr, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Students)
Dr R Joannes-Boyou - part
Professor T Carlin, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic)
Ms S Farquhar, Director Human Resources - part
Mr N Hyde, Director, Office of the Vice Chancellor
Mr D Gould, Chief Marketing Officer
Ms T Manning, Governance Services, (Minutes)
Mr A Morris, Vice President (Operations)
Mr B Roche, Vice President (Engagement)
Mr M Singh, Vice President (Global)
Mr T Walker, Vice President (Finance)

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

The Chancellor acknowledged the Widjabal people of the Bundjalung nation as traditional custodians of the land on which the Council meeting was held and paid respects to Elders past and present.

The presence of a quorum was confirmed.

Apologies and Leave of Absence

Nil.

- **Requests for Leave of Absence**

Council approved a leave of absence for Dr A Curtin from the Council meeting scheduled for 8 April 2020.

Chancellor's Introductory Remarks

Councillors' Business

Confidential Minutes of the Previous Council Meeting

- (a) **Council approved** the draft Confidential Minutes of the Council meeting held on 28 November 2019 and agreed that they be signed by the Chancellor as a true and correct record of the meeting; and
- (b) **Council approved** the uploading of a Council Minuted Resolutions report on items of open business of the Council meeting held on 28 November 2019 to the University Council website.

Declarations of Interest

Arrangement of Agenda

Council agreed that all unstarred items be adopted.

RESEARCH PRESENTATION

Dr Renaud Joannes-Boyau, Senior Lecturer, Southern Cross Geoscience gave a presentation on the topic:

Our latest discoveries in the field of Human Evolution, in particular our recent breakthrough in analytical geochemistry of human remains and how it provides clues to understand our species physiology, social structure and interaction with our environment.

CONFIDENTIAL KEY ITEMS OF BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report from Chair of Academic Board

Council noted the Chair of Academic Board's Report to Council.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Naming the Medicinal Plant Garden

Council approved the naming of the medicinal plant garden on the University's Lismore campus as the "*Marcus and Caroline Blackmore National Medicinal Plant Garden*".

Chancellor's Medal for Outstanding PhD Thesis: Coulson Lantz (22552729)

Council approved the awarding of the Chancellor's Medal for Outstanding PhD Thesis to Coulson Lantz (Student No. 22552729), for his thesis titled: '*The Impact of Anthropogenic Stressors on Coral Reef Carbonate Sediment Metabolism and Dissolution*'.

Election of alternative Deputy Chancellor to preside at graduation ceremonies

In the event that the Chancellor and Deputy Chancellor are unavailable to preside at a University graduation ceremony, **Council elected** Mr Jonathan Rourke as Deputy Chancellor for the purpose of presiding at that ceremony.

Admissions Delegations

Council approved the proposed changes to the delegations relating to the admission of students.

Ratification of Chancellor's Committee Business

Council ratified the following resolutions of the Chancellor's Committee:

CC12/2019: Amendment to Terms of Reference – Academic Board Rule (Membership)

Chancellor's Committee approved an amendment to the Terms of Reference – Academic Board Rule to add the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Students) to the membership of Academic Board.

Conferral List, 20 February 2020

Council approved the lists of graduands dated 20 February 2020 on whom awards and degrees are to be conferred.

Policy Library Approvals Summary

Council noted the list of policies that had been amended or approved for the period 19 November 2019 to 6 February 2020.

CLOSING BUSINESS

Other Business

Action / Progress Summary

Determination of Confidential Items of Business

All Key Items of business were determined to be confidential.

Meeting Review

Date of Next Council Meeting

Belinda Atkinson
Council Secretary